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Enclosure of letter from Eliza Symonds Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, March 12, 1876

Beware!!

A somewhat awkward incident occurred at a London church a week or two ago. The bridegroom, a very nervous man, put the wedding-ring for a moment into his mouth while he frantically tried to pull of his gloves. In the furry and excitement as the moment for pledging his troth came more and more awfully near, he opened his mouth for a gasp or a sigh, and, lo! the ring slipped down his throat as if by magic. For one brief moment his face assumed a hue so appallingly guggestive of apoplexy that his bride fainted. After a desperate struggle the ring went down instead of coming up, and the ceremony came to an abrupt stop. Another ring was eventually obtained, however, and the knot was tied.